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HONGKONG, MARCH 31st, 1905.

The Shanghai correspondent of the Times sees in the decision of the Foreign Office to reserve for Britons the water frontage of the British concession at Hankow "a manifestation of Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's policy," meaning, of course, the latest of his policies. It appears that this British concession in the heart of our Yangtze sphere of influence has been running acute danger of becoming anything but British, the Russians, French, Germans, and Japanese hemming us in on all sides, so that there has been barely "elbow-room," to say nothing of expansion. It was no doubt owing to the dilatoriness of British enterprisers, referred to recently by Mr. BYRON BRENNAN, and their reluctance to face the hard pioneer work of founding a new commercial centre, that caused the Municipal Council in 1864 to admit non-British persons to the right of owning land in the British settlement. This involved the admission of non-British voters. Now that the trade and shipping there has shown such marked development, the British firms who did face the heat and burden of the old days are beginning to feel the pinch resulting from the early and short-sighted impatience of the Municipal Council to hasten the development of the port. A combination of three big companies agreed on freight rates, and steps were taken to acquire the available water frontage, with an eye to excluding foreign competition as much as to develop the British. Meanwhile the Nippon Yuzen Kaisha acquired the boats, good-will, and (supposedly) the berthing rights of the late Mr. GEORGE MC BAIN, a British subject. The competition, actual and potential, of such a progressive com-

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pany as the N.Y.K. was not to be lightly faced; and the Foreign Office was approached on the strength of a "non-transferable" clause in the terms upon which water-frontage was leased to British subjects. The contention was advanced that, whereas *bona fide* British concerns were already cramped for room, there was the possibility—nay, the certainty—that their already limited space would be effectually precluded from any extension by the fact that the neighbouring sites would be in non-British hands." Then the Foreign Office decided to apply what the Times correspondent regards as Mr. CHAMBERLAIN's policy. The Foreign Office also remedied the early action of the Municipal Council to a certain extent by depriving foreign land owners in the British concession of the right to vote on the now limited and valuable water frontage. The enterprising N.Y.K. met this by turning the business of the McBain ship into a British limited liability company registered at Hongkong, with, it is alleged, two of their clerks figuring as the principal shareholders. Equally British shippers do not like this, naturally, as it puts what they insist is essentially still a foreign firm on an equality with them; but the difficulty is aggravated by the fact that the British importer and exporter is so constituted that he thinks cheap freights as important to him as national prestige. "To them it was a matter of indifference under what flag they shipped so long as their goods were carried expeditiously and cheaply." The consideration of the immorality of subsidies seems to be prompted at this stage; but *cui bono?* The immediate and more pressing question is whether the British Government should take steps to retain this one of her numerous, hardly-gained outposts, as British in fact as in name. It is suggested that the abolition of the existing system of yearly leases, in favour of a thirty or forty year lease granted to the highest (British) bidder, would meet the case, without raising freights, the argument being that the privileged British shippers could not raise the freight rate to more than the foreign rate plus the expense of sending goods to and from the less convenient positions occupied by the foreign ships, for obvious economic reasons. This suggestion still leaves undecided the nationality of the shipping company to which the N.Y.K. stands in *locum parentis*. Another question left unsettled appears to be whether a British trade community, thriving by the help of cheaper foreign freight rates, or a mixed community, restricted to a purely British shipping service, is most consistent with the upholding of "the collective interests of the nation."

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REVIEWS.

The Law affecting General and Particular Average, by LAWRENCE DUCKWORTH. London: Ellington Wilson, 54, Threadneedle Street, E.C. 2nd ed. 2s. 6d.

This useful work, by the author of "An Epitome of the Law affecting Marine Insurance," has here been entirely re-written; Compiled chiefly for lawyers, shipowners, brokers, underwriters, &c., it is a book that is likely to be very useful to almost everybody connected with shipping, although it will be best understood by those with knowledge of law as well as shipping. For instance, the risks covered by a certain policy were thus summarized:

"And touching the adventures and perils which the capital stock and funds of the said company are made liable unto by this insurance, they are, of the seas, men-of-war, fire, enemies, pirates, robbers, thieves, jettisons, letters of marit and countermand, surprisals, takings at sea, arrests, restraints and detinments of all kings, princes and people of what nation, condition or quality soever, barratry of the master and mariners, and of all other perils, losses and misfortunes that have or shall come to the hurt, detriment or damage of the aforesaid subject-matter of this insurance or any part thereof."

Now, to any but a lawyer that would make it appear that the intention of the parties was to cover all and every hurtful contingency that could possibly arise on or about that ship. But the House of Lords decided "that whether the injury was caused accidentally, without negligence or through negligence, it was not covered by the words used in the policy." The Reviewer offers this, not as another argument for the abolition of the House of Lords, but to show how indispensable a book like this is, and then how necessary it is to go to a lawyer to read it for one.

Then again, in a chapter headed "general and particular average loss," the author deals with the relation of cargo to ship in various cases, such as where a ship in danger puts into port and unloads the cargo in order to repair the ship, the cost thereof is a general repair expenditure. But (page 21) "warehousing the cargo, reloading it, going out of port, cannot be said to be parts of the act of taking the ship into port in order to enable her to be repaired. Reloading the cargo and taking the ship out of port when the ship is repaired cannot be parts of the act of repairing the ship." That is just where your simple-minded Reviewer is likely to go wrong. It seems to his nautical mind that if a ship (whose *raison d'être* is the carriage of the cargo) finds herself in such a position that she can only continue her existence as a cargo carrier by putting into port, unloading, repairing, reloading, and proceeding, that all that was one act. At the same time it would seem unjust to charge the cargo a proportion of such cost, and therefore the lay mind would rather quarrel with the opinion on page 20, that "if it is necessary to unload the cargo in order to repair the ship, though it is not necessary for the safety of the cargo, the expense of unloading the cargo is a general average expense." So you see how useful this book and a lawyer becomes, for of course the Reviewer and the lay mind is, like the ship in question, altogether at sea.

Among the more interesting citations is that of the Marine Insurance Co. Ltd. V. China Trans-Pacific Co. Ltd. (11 App. Cas. 573) which is well reported and argued, but too intricate for brief quotation. There are cases cited that would be read with interest by shipmasters, such as Mo. V. Smith (9 C. & B. 94), in which the captain of the *Affred* had a ship worth £10,000 and a freight valued at £2,000. He put back into Valparaiso damaged, and finding after survey that to repair her so as to enable her to bring home the entire cargo would cost a sum exceeding the value of the freight, though less than the value of the ship when repaired, sold her. The question was whether this constituted a total loss of either ship or freight. It was decided that it did not constitute either. The summary of the law of repairs on page 82 *et seq.* seems to be exhaustive and excellent. There are the various forms used at Lloyd's in an appendix, a table of cases, and an excellent index. This well-known form of law publishers deserves praise for the clearness, cleanliness, and neatness of its typography and binding, as does the author for the lucidity and precision with which he has presented what in his judgment is, in short form, the law affecting general and particular average.

Shanghai. A Handbook for travellers and residents, by the Rev. C. E. DARWENT. Hongkong: KELLY & WALSH.

The Reviewer wants to do more than praise this guidebook; he would congratulate both author and publishers on one of the best things of the kind he has met with. Querelling only with the author's quaint ideas of pit-jun-English, "he has nothing but commendation for the scheme of the book, its map and 64 excellent illustrations, its really interesting comments its completeness, and its undoubted success in dissipating the idea that "there is nothing worth seeing in Shanghai." At the beginning of a visit to the northern port, and afterwards it will be found of great service, and afterwards it will be treasured as a particularly satisfactory souvenir.

Machine Drawing, by Alfred P. Hill. Sheffield: P. S. King & Son, Orchard House, Westminster 2a. 6d.

An excellent book of practical hints and specimen drawings by an expert, meant for students preparing for the science examinations in technical institutes and evening schools, who should make a point of getting this before more costly works. They will be surprised to find how far it will take them.

Intercepted Letters. A mild satire on Hongkong Society, by "Betty" (Mr. W. H. DONALD). Hongkong: Kelly & Walsh. 1s.

These highly amusing and not too ill-natured satires on social life in Hongkong, now published in particularly attractive book-form by Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, are well worth reading. The authorship is thinly disguised, so we offer no apology for giving away the "secret," and so giving credit where very considerable credit is indeed due. "Betty" claims to have been married at Home in the opening lines, and fixes the date as two months prior to September 14th, 1903. On page 56 she fixes the inauguration of the *Hockey* Club as two years prior to Sept. 1st, 1904, "just before we came out here." On January 3rd 1905, homeward bound, she writes (page 71) of the "two years that I have spent here." These little discrepancies, to say nothing of the essentially virile wit and diction of the letters, should satisfy any doubters on the point of the letters being journalistic inventions. Following up our "Sherlock Holmes" task, the frequent references to local journalism, evidently written from the inside, fix the profession of the writer, who on page 72 quite unnecessarily (in view of their professional excellence) describes the offspring of his fancy as "aristocratic," thus making the mistake that criminals (using the word in a Pickwickian sense in this connection) always make when anxious to cover their tracks. Further, our esteemed and able colleague comes from Australia, and on page 74 quotes some clever lines ("found in William's desk") which "he says were written by a friend of his in Australia." Other Australian evidences occur in an added "envelope," dated Kowloon, n.d. 1903, from which we take the liberty of extracting a few striking passages. The writer has had a sort of H. G. Wells dream, in which Hongkong is connected with London by a fifty hour trip over a "Monorailway," the Peak residential quarter abandoned because the inhabitants of Hongkong keep cool in summer by painting their wall-paper with radium (?) ; the harbour entirely reclaimed and built over; the colony self-governing, with "four representatives in the Federated Parliament"; all foreigners and Chinese taxed double; and the Army and Navy replaced by "International Police Cruisers" in consequence of the "Universal Peace Agreement of 1930." He goes on:

"The Nathan statue in King's Park bears the inscription: 'He lit the torch and fanned the flame.' And passed it on untiring with shame."

"This is a well-deserved tribute to the man who had such a big share in making Hongkong what it is to-day, and who was afterwards such a signal success as Governor-General of the South African Commonwealth."

We hope His Excellency will buy a copy. He ought to, after that prophecy.

There is also a statue to Sir Francis May" (in "Berkeley Square"), and one to Robert Shawan," inscribed:

"He drew the sword in Freedom's cause and struck and did not shrink."

This was the man who dared to say what others dared not think."

To which many readers may incline to add a line:

For this the man should surely "stand" what "Betty" ought to drink.

"Sir William Gossen" earns a statue as first commander of the Happy Valley Hussars; Sir Paul Chater one as a philanthropist; while there is also a Murray Bain Memorial, an equestrian statue in "Bowling Club Square," carrying a two-edged sword "symbolic of the vigour and fearlessness with which he attacked every kind of humbug and hypocrisy." The book is dedicated to him, by the way. The book is bound in red tape. Is that also satire, we wonder?

THE NEW SHORT RIFLE.

After the discussion in Commons the Times referred to the subject of the new British rifle in these lines:

When everything has been said by the defenders of the new rifle they do not claim for it more than that it is about as good as the one now in the hands of our troops. There are a good many weak points in the contention by which it is sought to prove even so little as that. We come back, therefore, to the financial question. Are we to spend three millions upon a new rifle of which the best that can be said is that it is about as good as the old one? A really new rifle, thoroughly thought out in all its parts as an organic whole, might be worth the money. But this new rifle is not a weapon of that kind at all. It is the old rifle tinkered and altered in various ways by devices which do not hang together and remaining many of the obvious defects of the present arm. It had to be admitted last night that it does not approach to the muzzle velocity now being attained on the Continent, and that defect it is sought to overcome by a change in the ammunition. That is tinkering again of the same kind as that which occurred in the case of the Lee-Metford, which, in fact, was an impracticable combination until two distinguished chemists invented a new propellant *ad hoc*, and a new nickel-coated bullet was produced capable of withstanding the friction to which it was subjected. If we are to spend three million we ought to get something better for our money than a weapon already tattered, unless means can be found of increasing the propelling force in a weakened barrel. It is, at any rate, a hopeful sign that the experiments of the new rifle were driven last night to admit that further tests are required. Lord Roberts, with great candour, suggested that the gentlemen who carried on trials of their own at Bisley should be associated with soldiers in carrying out further trials. That attitude is much more likely to inspire public confidence than the other attitude of haughty official superciliousness which was noticeable in other quarters. This is the public's business because the public have to pay for the improvements of reform. What proportion they form of this whole order, how far they are prepared to go, and what capacity they have for devising or appreciating really workable reforms are amongst the most interesting questions in the actual situation. That in one shape or another the movement will go on is inevitable. It rests largely with the Government to determine whether it will go on as an open and constitutional movement not in conflict with the fundamental principles of the authority, or as a

RUSSIA.

A Times leader says—Russia's attitude towards the continuance of the war divides attention for the moment with the grave internal crisis in the Empire. The two problems promise to react upon each other in a rather surprising fashion. The Tsar has decided to leave the question of war or peace to be discussed and determined by the Zemski Sobor.

Whatever may be the results of the plan, it is impossible to refuse admiration to such an ingenious way out of the imminent difficulty. The Russian Government, we are told, regard the danger of negotiations which might end in a failure. They are not, therefore, very anxious to move on their own account, and a distinct impression has got abroad about the late deliberations at Tschakoo Selo. On the other hand, they are confronted with an internal crisis of the most serious kind. After quieting down for a little, the troubles have now broken out with renewed vehemence in most of the disturbed centres, and it is quite obvious that the Government must do something. That lesson has been driven home by the murder of the Grand Duke Serge, whose solemn funeral in Moscow yesterday marked the last vestige of the autocracy to which had served it with only too much zeal. Accordingly the Russian Government have decided to make the concession of summoning the Zemski Sobor. They appear, further, to have hit on the happy thought of avoiding other awkward topics by inviting it to settle the question of war or peace. We do not suppose that the Zemski Sobor will refuse that invitation. But we very much question whether they will "settle" anything in their deliberations except what has been settled by the Government already. The Zemski Sobor is an archaic body, which seems to possess no positive powers except those of mere assent. Are they any more likely to strike out a line for themselves and enforce it than that Sobor which reluctantly endorsed the views of Ivan the Terrible on a similar question more than three centuries ago? Probably they are not. But whatever course they take, they will bear the responsibility, while the Government will enjoy the prestige of having consulted the people. It certainly seems the most ingenious device which the Tsar's advisers have yet thought out. Even supposing that Japan rejects the terms jointly constructed by Government and Sobor—and we may see from the comments of the Japanese Press to-day when alien is the idea of a temporary truce to the mind of Japan—the Russian people, as our Correspondent points out, will be convinced that Japan has refused a really national demand, and they may at last begin to prosecute the war with something like genuine enthusiasm. In the meantime we must receive all peace rumours with entire scepticism, until these interesting developments have taken place. The Times rightly sees that the whole discussion is premature. It is left for the *New Freie Presse*, perhaps reflecting those Berlin influences to which it is usually faithful, to put forward a truly amazing theory as to the origin of the late rumours.

According to the Viennese organ, they result from King Edward's personal intention of raising the peace question in St. Petersburg, and represent His Majesty's private impressions as to possible terms of peace. We need hardly waste argument over an idea that betrays such an extraordinary ignorance of the workings of the British Constitution, and such characterizes all King Edward's public acts. The Zemski Sobor will have to be kept very fully employed if its attention is to be diverted from the parlous state of European Russia. Our Berlin Correspondent summarized yesterday in a striking telegram the fresh indications of disorder which are appearing from Poland to the Caucasus, and from Livonia to Kharkoff. To-day's news reinforces those particulars with an account of serious disturbances at Warsaw, and of desperate scenes at Baku, where the Tatars seem to have been let loose on the Armenians while the Russian authorities looked calmly on. The French journalists in St. Petersburg seem to be deeply impressed with the gravity of the position, and we hear talk now of the organization of the strike movement on a vastly more extended scale within the next few days. Whether there is any foundation for or not for the statement that the agitators mean to paralyse the whole railway system of European Russia, it seems no means unlikely that March 4, the anniversary of the liberation of the serfs, may witness fresh outbreaks of a very serious kind. The final issue of these we cannot attempt to conjecture. Agitators and revolutionaries are no doubt attempting to organise the widespread discontent of the Russian masses, and in time they may succeed, and not improbably will succeed, unless that discontent is allayed. But so far there are few signs visible to the outside world of anything resembling concerted action between the peasants and the disaffected working mass of different parts of Russia. 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Hongkong, 31st March, 1905. [860]

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| 48 | 435 | 787 | 1117 | 1502 |
| 87 | 451 | 800 | 1124 | 1642 |
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| 304 | 543 | 863 | 1226 | 1831 |
| 324 | 646 | 883 | 1260 | 1834 |
| 355 | 662 | 912 | 1279 | 1868 |
| 365 | 668 | 929 | 1358 | 1893 |
| 375 | 679 | 931 | 1364 | 1924 |
| 389 | 691 | 990 | 1419 | 1928 |
| 396 | 703 | 1016 | 1424 | 1929 |
| 401 | 716 | 1027 | 1561 | 1937 |
| 406 | 719 | 1084 | 1560 | 1937 |

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BONE-FILLING—THE NEW KIND OF BRONZE—JAPANESE CHEMICAL INDUSTRY—THE SOAP TREE—ANOTHER GUTTA PERCIA—COMPOSITION OF FOG—is THE WATER-FINDER A CHARLATAN?—PLANTS BEYOND THE EARTH.

The cavities left in bones after surgical operations have been a source of much trouble, discharges of pus usually continuing for months. Acting on the hint given by dentists operations on decaying teeth, Prof. Mochoff, of Vienna, about five years ago began seeking a means of artificially filling the bone cavities, and for a time experimented with a putty-like paste of iodiform. This failed to reach all parts of the cavity. A new filling has been adopted therefore, consisting of iodiform, spermaceti and oil of sesame, and, as this melts at 122 deg. F., it is poured into the cavity in a liquid state, when it penetrates to every part. The filling is absorbed and replaced by granular tissue so slowly that no poisoning occurs. This method has been applied in about 220 cases, and it is claimed that there has been no failure.

Radium argoniferum, the new metal of two Tuscan engineers, is now known to consist of copper, iron, and minute portions of silver, radium and phosphorus. The remarkable properties are attributed chiefly to the phosphorus. The metal is claimed to be stronger than steel, to resist oxidation, to equal copper as an electrical conductor, and to cost in large quantities only a tenth as much as bronze.

The chemical factories of Jugan, including paper and ceramic mills, are stated in a Government report to number 840. Salt is made in 75; pharmaceutical products in 41; illuminating oils in 95; matches in 40; colors in 53; gas in 4; incense in 6. The employees number 31,500, of whom 19,583 are women.

Painting the hands with a solution of gutta percha in benzene or acetone is recommended for surgeons instead of rubber gloves. It does not impair touch or flexibility of the skin.

A new and rapidly developing industry of Algeria is the cultivation of the soap-tree, which has been named *Sapindus sphaerocarpa*, and which has proven superior to similar plants of India, Japan, China and Central America. The tree grows to a height of 40 or 50 feet, reaching 10 feet in the first two years. It begins to bear in six years, and at full maturity yields annually 200 pounds of yellowish green to brown berries, varying from half an inch to an inch in diameter. The tree has been successfully propagated only from cuttings, though seeds form a third of the weight of the fruit. Cultivation has been confined to low-lying lands near the coast, and a plantation near the city of Algiers covers 150 acres, while smaller ones are rapidly springing up. The dried fruit is shipped to Germany. Some of it is employed in the natural state and chemists use much of it for a washing powder called "sapo," a hair wash known as "sapindine," and various toilet specialties. The fine-grained wood of the tree is suitable for furniture.

The artificial gutta percha of Herr Gentsch, of Vienna, is composed of caoutchouc and the resin of the palm tree, and is claimed to rival the natural product at less than two thirds of the cost. A test in special cables fifteen miles long has given excellent results. The new material softens less quickly than the real gutta percha, while its electrical resistance is slightly superior, but it has the single disadvantage of being more glutinous, so that a coating of rubber is necessary for welding pieces together.

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AIR DRAWN by huge fans into the School of Technology at Manchester, Eng., is washed by a spray of water and filtered through a screen of corrugated sheets of galvanized iron. After the recent fog the wash water was found to be very black.

The proportion of solid matter was large, but analysis showed little soot, but considerable iron (probably from the screen), with ammonia, lime, magnesia, a trace of arsenic, and much sulphuric and hydrochloric acids.

A matter of much current interest that demands careful scientific investigation is the art of the "flossier," or person claiming to have a special gift enabling him to locate underground water by means of a dirking rod, or broken twig. The water finders have been busy of late, especially in England, with varying success. Probably the most common conviction is that these persons are victims of illusion, but so eminent a scientific man as Sir William Crookes concludes that the hidden water falling over pebbles, etc., may set up vibrations that act upon the sensitive abdominal diaphragm certain individuals of exceptionally delicate frame. In illustration, he mentions that though a good sailor and a strong man, he has himself had a feeling of sea-sickness when standing on a temporary bridge over which a cab was rapidly driven.

A curious vegetation—called "supra-terrestrial" because it does not grow on the earth's surface—has been studied by Virgil Brandt, a French botanist. The oldest of the plants are those that grow on stone and brick walls, and of these 67 per cent have fine seeds, 13 per cent winged seeds, 6 per cent hooked seeds, 5 per cent have an explosive mechanism for discharging the seeds, and 9 per cent are plants with fleshy fruits. Thatched roofs also have numerous plants, older roofs sheltering 15 or 16 species, while the general average is 8. A special flora is characteristic of the tops of tall willows, and this embraces as many as 36 species.

A stream of water varies in velocity at different depths. In the recent work of the U. S. Geological Survey the mean velocity has been found at a point ranging from 58 to 73 per cent of the depth, the degree of roughness of the bottom having effect. The engineers have adopted six-tenths as the depth of mean velocity.

Rapid driving on asphalt pavement proves dangerous to the horse from a curious source. A shoe thrown by a horse after a mile's trot was found to be so hot that it could not be handled.

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FOR 1905.

Showing the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of departure of the Mails from Europe and America and the dates on which they are due to reach Hongkong. A Special Table is devoted to the Far East Post to and from England.

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

AUCHENLAIRD, British str., 2,351, Crowder, 30th March.—Kuching, 25th March, Coal.—Mitsui Busan Kusha.
B. BIRKINSON, Norwegian str., 790, G. Olssen, 29th March.—Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow 29th March, General, Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
HAINUN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 30th March.—Swatow 20th March, General—Douglas Lapraik Co.
KOWLOON, German str., 2,229, Stohr, 30th Mar.,—Chukking 27th Mar., General—Stomso & Co.
KWANTUNG, Chinese str., 1,536, H. Lunt, 30th March.—Shanghai 27th March, General—Chinese.
SEGOVIA, German str., 2,796, Schonfeldt, 30th March.—Hamburg and Singapore 24th Mar., General.—Hamburg-American Line.
TETAROS, German str., 1,375, Desler, 30th March.—Sagoo 25th March, Rice—Siemsen & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR Master's OFFICE.
30th March.
Ardona, British str., for Kitchinotzu.
Harman, British str., for Swatow.
Hongyan I, British str., for Amoy.
Hue, French str., for Kyngchowan.
Merionethshire, British str., for Singapore.
Picader, Amer str., for Macau.

DEPARTURES.

29th March.
ALACHTY, British str., for Shanghai.
HUMBLE, British steamer, for practice, 30th March.
APENRADE, German str., for Tamsui.
ASCON, British str., for Durban.
CHOIWA, German str., for Bangkok.
GENERAL ALVARA, U.S. transport, for Manila.
HAICHENG, British str., for Coast Ports.
HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.
INDIA, British str., for Nagasaki.
KWANTUNG, British str., for Kobe.
MACQUATOR, British str., for Kobe.
MANUEL LLAGUNO, Amer str., for Baltimore.
M. BAUERHEIM, Austrian str., for Trieste.
THINTAU, German str., for Straits.

SHIPPING REPORT.

The British str. *Hainun* reports: Strong monsoon, moderate sea and fine weather.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

Mar. 8, British str. *Proteus*, Muir, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Amsterdam.

Mar. 8, Dutch str. *Oegorion*, Meyer, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Rotterdam.

Mar. 9, German str. *Bulgaria*, Fröhlich, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Rangoon.

Mar. 9, British str. *Islander*, Wright, Mar. 7, from Singapore for Christian Island.

Mar. 10, British str. *Nairara*, Rose, Feb. 1, from London for Batavia.

Mar. 10, British str. *Knight Errant*, Kendall, Jan. 19, from Barry for Hongkong.

Mar. 11, British str. *Rivera*, from Cardiff for Hongkong.

Mar. 11, Dutch str. *Coonoor*, Lo Clerc, Feb. 4, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

Mar. 12, British str. *Pasha*, Loftwich, Mar. 12, from Batavia for Colombo.

Mar. 13, Dutch str. *Solo*, Engelman, Jan. 20, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

Mar. 15, British str. *Queen Eleanor*, Breaks, Jan. 10, from Cardiff for Hongkong.

Mar. 15, British str. *Islander*, Wright, Mar. 13, from Christmas Island for Singapore.

Mar. 15, British str. *Juno*, Jan. 6, from New York for Hongkong.

Mar. 15, British str. *Zorchester*, Ewan, Feb. 8, from Hongkong.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

30th March.
ANDREWDOCKS—King George.

FOULWOOD DOCKS—Westminster Bridge, H.M.S. Whiting, U.S.S. Bainbridge, U.S.S. Barry, U.S.S. Chancery, U.S.S. Dale, U.S.S. Decatur, Proteus, U.S.S. General Alava, Erna, Zuider.

COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—H.M.S. Rambler.

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| LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL | NUCIA | Brit. str. | — | F. N. Tillard | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 8th April, at Noon. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | MACHAON | Brit. str. | 1 m. | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 11th April. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | RAIBOW | Brit. str. | 1 m. | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 25th April. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | ASIAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 9th May. | |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | PINGUIN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 23rd May. | |
| MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL | TOURANE | Fren. str. | — | Girard | MESSAGERIES MARITIMES | On 4th April, at 1 P.M. |
| BREMEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL | PRINZ HEINRICH | Brit. str. | — | Grosch | MELCHERS & CO. | On 12th April, at Noon. |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SUEVIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE | On 7th April. | |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SILESIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE | On 16th April. | |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SLAVONIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE | On 2nd May. | |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SKOVIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE | On 16th May. | |
| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SENEGAMBIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE | On 30th May. | |
| GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL | ALCINOUS | Brit. str. | 1 m. | DODWELL & CO. | On 20th April. | |
| GENOA, MARSEILLES & LIVERPOOL | JADES | Brit. str. | — | STANDARD OIL CO. | About 18th April. | |
| NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL | LOWTHIAN CASTLE | Brit. str. | — | STANDARD OIL CO. | On 6th April, at Daylight. | |
| NEW YORK, VIA PORTS & SUEZ CANAL | SCHUYLKILL | Brit. str. | — | STANDARD OIL CO. | About 25th April. | |
| NEW YORK VIA SUEZ | HUDSON | Brit. str. | — | STANDARD OIL CO. | On 23rd May. | |
| VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c. | NUBIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 19th April. | |
| VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c. | EMPERESS OF INDIA | Brit. str. | 2 m. | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 26th April. | |
| VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN | TARTAR | Brit. str. | 1 m. | DODWELL & CO. LIMITED | On 13th April. | |
| VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE VIA NAGASAKI, &c. | TELEMACHUS | Brit. str. | 1 m. | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 20th April. | |
| PORTLAND, OREGON | NICOMEDIA | Brit. str. | — | PORTLAND & ASIAH. S.S. CO. | On 11th April, at Daylight. | |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS | WILLEDA | Ger. str. | — | MELCHERS & CO. | On 4th April, at Noon. | |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS | AUSTRALIAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO. | On 8th April. | |
| AUSTRALIAN PORTS | CHINGTU | Brit. str. | — | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 2nd April. | |
| YOKOHAMA, VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI & KOBE | PERA | Brit. str. | — | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | On 4th April. | |
| KOBE | TAIWAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | TH. Lehmann | TO-morrow. | |
| SHANGHAI | TAIWAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | TO-morrow, at 4 P.M. | |
| SHANGHAI | LYME MOON | Ger. str. | — | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | TO-morrow, at 4 P.M. | |
| SHANGHAI | KWONGSANG | Brit. str. | — | A. L. Valentini | ABOUT 3RD APRIL. | |
| AMARA | ARMAND BEHIC | Brit. str. | — | BONDIXON, E.N.E. | ABOUT 4TH APRIL. | |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | CLARA JEBSEN | Ger. str. | — | G. M. Montford, E.N.E. | ABOUT 4TH APRIL. | |
| SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, ANGY & FOOCHEW | CORONADEL | Brit. str. | — | P. & O. S. N. CO. | ABOUT 4TH APRIL. | |
| SHANGHAI | NINGPO | Brit. str. | 1 m. | C. Olsen | NINGPO. | |
| TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY | TAMSUI | Brit. str. | — | H. A. Haraldsen | ON 2nd April, at 8 A.M. | |
| TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY | AMOY | Brit. str. | — | SCHLAIKER | ON 5th April, at 8 A.M. | |
| TAKAO VIA SWATOW, AMOY & ANPING | DECIMA | Brit. str. | — | BUTTERFIELD & SWINE | TO-day. | |
| AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO | DECIMA | Brit. str. | — | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | ON 4th April, at Daylight. | |
| SUNGKANG | DECEMA | Brit. str. | — | ROBSON | ON 4th April. | |
| TAMSUI VIA SWATOW | TRENTON | Brit. str. | 2 h. | R. Hodger | TO-day, at 10 A.M. | |
| YUENSANG | TRENTON | Brit. str. | — | A. H. Notley | TO-day, at 4 P.M. | |
| MANILA | ZAFIRO | Brit. str. | 1 m. | T. W. Garlick | ON 4th April. | |
| MANILA | TEAN | Brit. str. | — | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | ABOUT 12th APRIL. | |
| MANILA | RUBI | Brit. str. | — | JARDINE, MATHESON & CO. | TO-morrow, at 4 P.M. | |
| SANDAKAN VIA KUDAT | MAUSANG | Am. str. | — | J. G. Olifent | ON 4th April, at 3 P.M. | |
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The chemical factories of Japan, including those of Tokyo, are stated in a Government report to number 810. Salt is made in 75; pharmaceutical products in 43; illuminating oil in 95; matches in 49; colors in 53; gas in 4; income in 6. The employees number 31,501, of whom 18,589 are women.

Painting the hands with a solution of gutta percha in benzene or acetone is recommended for surgeons instead of rubber gloves. It does not impair touch or flexibility of the skin.

A new and rapidly developing industry of Algeria is the cultivation of the soap-tree, which has been named *Sapindus utilis*, and which has proven superior to similar plants of India, Japan, China and Central America. The tree grows to a height of 40 or 50 feet, reaching 10 feet in the first two years. It begins to bear in six years, and at full maturity yields annually 200 pounds of yellowish green to brown berries, varying from half an inch to an inch in diameter. The tree has been successfully propagated only from cuttings, though seeds form a third of the weight of the fruit. Cultivation has been confined to low-lying lands near the coast, and a plantation near the city of Algiers covers 150 acres, while smaller ones are rapidly springing up. The dried fruit is shipped to Germany. Some of it is employed in the natural state and chemists use much of it for a washing powder called saponin, a hair wash known as "sapindine," and various toilet specialties. The fine-grained wood of the tree is suitable for furniture.

The artificial gutta percha of Herr Gentsch, of Vienna, is composed of cetylcholine and the resin of the palm tree, and is claimed to rival the natural product at least two thirds of the cost. A test in special cables fifteen miles long has given excellent results. The new material sores less quickly than the real gutta percha, while its electrical resistance is slightly superior, but it has the single disadvantage of being more glutinous, so that a coating of rubber is necessary for welding pieces together.

Air drawn by huge fans into the School of Technology at Manchester, Eng., is washed by a spray of water and filtered through a screen of corrugated sheets of galvanized iron. After the recent fog the wash water was found to be inky black. The proportion of solid matter was large, but analysis showed little soot, but considerable iron (probably from the screen), with ammonia, lime, magnesia, a trace of arsenic, and much sulphuric and hydrochloric acids.

A matter of much current interest that demands careful scientific investigation is the art of the "dowser," or person claiming to have a special gift enabling him to locate underground water by means of a divining rod, or forked twig. The water finders have been busy of late, especially in England, with varying success. Probably the most common conviction is that these persons are victims of illusion, but so eminent a scientific man as Sir William Prestwich concludes that the hidden water, falling over pebbles, etc., may set up vibrations that act upon the sensitive abdominal diaphragm of certain individuals exceptionally delicate frame. In illustration, he mentions that though a good sailor and a strong man, he himself had a feeling of seasickness when standing on a temporary bridge over which a cub was rapidly driven.

A curious vegetation—called "supra-terrestrial" because it does not grow on the earth's surface—has been studied by Virelli Brando, a French botanist. The oldest of the plants are those that grow on stone and brick walls, and of these 67 per cent have fine seeds, 13 per cent winged seeds, 6 per cent hooked seeds, 5 per cent have an explosive mechanism for discharging the seeds, and 9 per cent are plants with fleshy fruits. Thatched roofs sheltering 15 or 16 species, while the general average is 8. A special flora is characteristic of the tops of pollard willows, and this embraces as many as 36 species.

A stream of water varies in velocity at different depths. In the recent work of the U. S. Geological Survey the mean velocity has been found at a point ranging from 53 to 73 per cent of the depth, the degree of roughness of the bottom having effect. The engineers have adopted six-tenths as the depth of mean velocity.

Rapid driving on asphalt pavement proves dangerous to the horse from a curious reason. A shoe thrown by a horse after a mile trot was found to be so hot that it could not be handled.

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Showing the dates of departure of the Mails to Europe and America, and the dates of their expected arrival at their destinations, as well as the dates of departure of the Mails from Europe and America and the dates on which they are due to reach Hongkong. A Special Table is devoted to the Parcel Post to and from England.

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GARRISON ORDERS.**HEAD QUARTERS**

HONGKONG, 30th March, 1905.

GARRISON ORDERS—Inspection of Barracks.

No. 1. The Officer in Charge of Barracks will make the Annual Inspection of Barracks in No. 1 Sub-District as under, commencing daily at the hours named with the Barrack or Building first named for that day. An Officer of the Corps concerned will attend at all Barracks. Particular care must be taken that all articles of barrack furniture are laid out in each room or quarter, as they appear on Inventory Boards. Soldiers boxes at the foot of each bed. Officers and Warrant Officers Quarters will not be inspected. Owing to the water being turned off at the Town Main Fire Appliances will not be tested.—10th, April. Murray Barracks commencing with C.O.'s Stables. 9 a.m. District Military Police, Nos. A & B Block Married Qrs. Queen's Road, 12.30 p.m. 11th April, A. B. C. Kennedy Road Married Qrs, commencing No. 1. A. 9 a.m. C. Block Queen's Road, Noon. 12th April, H. S. "Moane's" 10.15 a.m. 13th April, Station Hospital, Victoria. 9.30 a.m. Female Hospital (A. Block Queen's Road), 11 a.m. Barrack Stores No. 1. Sub-District will be closed from 10th April to 16th April, both days inclusive.

Revolves.—No. 2. From the 1st proximo until further orders Revolve will be sounded at 5.45 a.m.

Banges.—No. 3 "B" Range King's Park Kowloon, will be handed over by the 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment to the 93rd Burma Infantry on the 31st March at 10 a.m. A representative of the Royal Engineers will attend. Firing is not to take place on Saturday afternoons. (ii) Kowloon City Range will be handed over by the 93rd Burma Infantry to the 2nd Royal West Kent Regiment at 11 a.m. on the 4th April. A representative of the Royal Engineers will attend.

Lows.—No. 4. In Garrison Order No. 3 of 25th instant, read "From 5th April to 25th June 1905" read "23rd April to 23rd June 1905."

Attachments.—No. 5. The following will be attached as under from 1st April 1905 in relief of R.A.M.C. who return to Military Hospital, Victoria, for duty. No. 18,325 Pte. Walshen to R.G.A. Lyman for rations and quarters. No. 16,829 Pte. Heffernan to R.G.A. Stonecutters for rations and quarters. No. 18,130 Pte. Day to 2nd Royal West Kent Regt. Mount Austin, for rations.

Medical Board.—No. 6. A Medical Board will assemble at an early date to report upon the present state of health of Captain C. Bushell.

Board of Officers.—No. 7. In accordance with Para. 33 Treasury Chest Regulations, a Board of Officers composed as under will assemble at the District Pay Office at 12 noon on Saturday the 1st proximo. President—Capt. C.M.F. Watkins, Royal Engineers. Members—An Officer, Royal Garrison Artillery and an Officer Army Ordnance Department.

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ARRIVALS.

AUCHENLAIRD, British str., 2,351, Crowder, 30th March.—Kuchinotzu 25th March, Coal.—Mitsui Bussan Kaihatsu.
B. BREJNSEN, Norwegian str., 790, C. Olsen, 20th March.—Tamsui, Amoy and Swatow 29th March, General—Omeku Shosen Kaihatsu.
HAINAN, British str., 636, A. J. Robson, 30th March.—Swatow 29th March, General.—Douglas Laprak & Co.
KOWLOON, German str., 2,329, Stohr, 30th Mar.,—Chinkiang 27th Mar., General.—Siamese & Co.
KWANTUNG, Chinese str., 1,566, H. Lunt, 30th March.—Shanghai 27th March, General.—Chinese.
SEGOWIA, German str., 3,795, Schenfeldt, 30th March.—Hamburg and Singapore 24th Mar., General.—Hamburg-American Line.
TEATANTOS, German str., 1,774, Dusler, 30th March.—Saigon 15th March, Ricco—Siemson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
30th March.
Andora, British str., for Kuchinotzu.
Hainan, British str., for Swatow.
Hongkong I, British str., for Amoy.
Huc, French str., for Kwangchauwan.
Merionethshire, British str., for Singapore.
Pleidore, Amer str., for Moji.

DEPARTURES.

28th March.
ALACERTY, British dev., for Shanghai.
HUBER, British store-ship, for practice.
30th March.
APENRADE, German str., for Tamsui.
ASCOT, British str., for Durban.
CHOWIA, German str., for Bangkok.
GENERAL ALAYA, U.S. transport, for Manila.
HAICHING, British str., for Coast Ports.
HANOI, French str., for Haiphong.
INDIA, British str., for Nagasaki.
KWANGTAH, Chinese str., for Canton.
MACQUARIE, British str., for Kobe.
MANUEL LIAQUET, Amer ship, for Baltimore.
M. BACQUEHEU, Austrian str., for Trieste.
TSINTAU, German str., for Straits.

SHIPPING REPORT.

The British str. *Hannover* reports: Strong windsoutherly, moderate sea and fine weather.

VESSELS PASSED ANJER.

Mar. 8, British str. *Promethean*, Muir, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Amsterdam.

Mar. 8, Dutch str. *Oegstgeest*, Meyer, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Rotterdam.

Mar. 9, German str. *Bulgaria*, Frehlich, Mar. 8, from Batavia for Rangoon.

Mar. 9, British str. *Islander*, Wright, Mar. 7, from Singapore for China as Island.

Mar. 10, British str. *Wispera*, Rose, Feb. 1, from London for Batavia.

Mar. 10, British str. *Rough Errand*, Kendall, Jan. 19, from Barry for Hongkong.

Mar. 11, British str. *Ribera*, from Cardiff for Hongkong.

Mar. 11, Dutch str. *Gentor*, Le Clerc, Feb. 4, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

Mar. 12, British str. *Posta*, Leftwich, Mar. 12, from Batavia for Calcutta.

Mar. 14, Dutch str. *Solo*, Engelman, Jan. 20, from Rotterdam for Batavia.

Mar. 15, British str. *Queen Eleanor*, Breaks, Jan. 10, from Cardiff for Hongkong.

Mar. 15, British str. *Islander*, Wright, Mar. 13, from Christians Island for Singapore.

Mar. 15, British str. *Juno*, Jan. 6, from New York for Shanghai.

Mar. 15, British str. *Zorocaster*, Ewan, Feb. 8, from Hongkong.

VESSELS IN DOCK.

30th March.

ABERDEEN DOCKS—King George.
FOWLON DOCKS—Westminster Bridge.
H.M.S. Whiting, U.S.S. Bainbridge, U.S.S. Barry, U.S.S. Chancery, U.S.S. Dale, U.S.S. Devastation, U.S.S. General Adair, Erna, Kujoen.

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4. From Naval Yard to East Point.

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| LONDON, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL | NEBIA | Brit. str. | — | F. N. Tillard | P. & O. S. N. Co. | On 8th April, at Noon. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | MACHAON | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 11th April. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | KAISSOW | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 25th April. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | JASON | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 9th May. |
| AMSTERDAM, LONDON & ANTWERP | PINGSLER | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE | On 23rd May. |
| MARSEILLES, &c., VIA PORTS OF CALL | TOURANE | Fren. str. | — | Girard | MESSAGERIES MARITIMES | On 4th April, at 1 P.M. |
| BLEMELEN, VIA PORTS OF CALL | PRINZ HEINRICH | Brit. str. | — | P. Gresch | MELCHERS & CO. | On 12th April, at Noon. |
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| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SILESIA | Ger. str. | k. w. | | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 16th April. |
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| HAVRE & HAMBURG | SENEGAMBA | Ger. str. | 1 m. | | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 30th May. |
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| NEW YORK VIA SUEZ | HUDSON | Brit. str. | k. w. | | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE | On 25th May. |
| VANCOUVER, VIA SHANGHAI, &c. | NUBIA | Brit. str. | 2 m. | | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 19th April. |
| VICTORIA (B.C.) & TACOMA VIA JAPAN | EMPERESS OF INDIA | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO. | On 26th April. |
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| AUSTRALIAN PORTS | CHONTRU | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | POORTLAND & ASIA S. S. CO. | On 11th April, at Daylight. |
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| SHANGHAI | LYEEMON | Brit. str. | — | | JARDINE, MATHERSON & CO. | About 3rd April. |
| SHANGHAI | KWONGSAM | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 4th April, at 8 A.M. |
| AMARA | SUNGKIAK | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 5th April. |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA | ARNAND BEHIC | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 6th April. |
| SHANGHAI VIA SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW | CLARA JESSEN | Ger. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 7th April. |
| SHANGHAI | CORONADHL | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 8th April. |
| NINGPO | B. BJORNSEN | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 9th April. |
| TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY | FRITHJOF | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 10th April. |
| TAKAO VIA SWATOW, AMOY & ANPING | DECIMA | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 11th April. |
| AMOY, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO | SUNGKIAK | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 12th April. |
| SWATOW | PURNEIA | Brit. str. | 2 h. | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 13th April. |
| MANILA DIRECT | HAIKUN | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 14th April. |
| MANILA | YUENSANG | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 15th April. |
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| TREMONT | TEAN | Brit. str. | 1 m. | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 17th April. |
| MANILA | RUBI | Brit. str. | — | | OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA | On 18th April. |
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POLLUX, Norwegian str., 770, C. S. Sanderson, 14th March.—Rangoon 7th March, Timber.—Order.

POSCH, German str., 1,700, P. Lomax, 24th March.—Meiji 18th March, Coal.—Jespon & Co.

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PROTHORN, German str., 1,024, C. Moller, 15th March.—Meiji 9th March, Coal.—Asgaard, Thorsea & Co.

QUARTA, German str., 1,825, H. Madsen, 21st March.—Ararat 15th March, Coal.—Sandor, Wider & Co.

SUNKANG, British str., 1,031, Pennefather, 11th Mar.,—Iloilo 7th March, Wood.—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIWAN, British str., 1,109, H. Harder, 28th March.—Shanghai 23rd Mar. and Swatow 27th, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

TAIWUX, British str., 1,459, L. Dawson, 29th March.—Australia and Manila 27th March, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

TELEMUCH, British str., 1,340, Jas. Williamson, 29th March.—Saigon 16th March, Coal.—Commander Voit, Shanghai.

WESTMINSTER BRIDGE, British str., 2,208, A. W. Woolcock, 13th March, London 23rd Nov., Coal.—Order.

WYLBROOK, British str., 2,300, D. H. Rivers, 16th March.—Philadelphia 16th Oct., Coal.—Standard Oil Co.

KING GEORGE, British str., 2,057, J. White, 11th Feb.,—Philadelphia (N.S.W.) 6th Sept., Coal.—Standard Oil Co.

MANUEL LLAUNGO, American ship, 1,646, D. C. Nichols, 11th Feb.,—Chefoo 4th February, Ballast.—Order.

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